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This report contains the results from the *September Ag Yield Survey* which was conducted to obtain acreage, yield, and production estimates for rice, soybeans, cotton, corn and sorghum. The data are also posted on our web site at the Internet address above, and in a more detailed U.S. report at www.usda.gov/nass/. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires or interviews for these surveys.

2006 Harvested Cotton Acres Up 12% from 2005

<u>Corn</u>: Corn yield is forecast at 134 bushels per acre, up 6 bushels per acre from last month, and up 3 bushels per acre from last year. Corn harvested acres are estimated at 165,000 acres, down from 230,000 acres the previous year.

<u>Cotton</u>: Arkansas cotton revised planted acres are 1.17 million acres. Harvested acres are estimated at 1.16 million acres, up 12 percent from 2005. The derived yield of 1,034 pounds per acres is up 2 pounds per acre from the previous month, and up 18 pounds per acre from 2005.

<u>Rice</u>: All rice revised planted acres for 2006 are 1.41 million acres, revised long grain planted acres are 1.3 million acres, and revised medium grain planted acres are 105,000 acres. All rice yield is forecast at 6,720 pounds per acre, up 20 pounds per acre from last month, and up 70 pounds per acre from last year. All rice harvested acres are estimated at 1.4 million, down 14 percent from 2005. Breakdowns by grain length are: long grain harvested at 1.3 million acres, down 15 percent from 2005, medium grain harvested at 104,000 acres, up 3 percent from last year and short grain harvested at 1,000 acres, the same as last year.

<u>Sorghum</u>: Grain sorghum yield is forecast at 84 bushels per acre, up 2 bushels from last month, and up 4 bushels from the previous year. Harvested acres are estimated at 56,000 acres, compared with 62,000 acres in 2005.

<u>Soybeans</u>: Arkansas soybean yield is forecast at 36 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel per acre from August, and up 2 bushels per acre from last year. Harvested acres are estimated at 3.1 million, up 100,000 acres from 2005. Soybean production is forecast at 112 million bushels, up 9 percent from the previous year.

Crop Acres Harvested, Yield and Production, Arkansas, 2005-2006

| | | Area Harvested | | Yield | | Production | |
|----------------|---------|----------------|--------|----------------|-------|-------------|------------|
| Crop | Unit | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005 | 2006 |
| | | 1,000 Acres | | Yield per acre | | 1,000 Units | |
| Arkansas | | | | | | | |
| Corn | Bushels | 230 | 165 | 131 | 134 | 30,130 | 22,110 |
| Cotton, Upland | 1 | 1,040 | 1,160 | 1,016 | 1,034 | 2,202 | 2,500 |
| Rice, All | 2 | 1,635 | 1,400 | 6,650 | 6,720 | 108,792 | 94,080 |
| Sorghum | Bushels | 62 | 56 | 80 | 84 | 4,960 | 4,704 |
| Soybeans | Bushels | 3,000 | 3,100 | 34 | 36 | 102,000 | 111,600 |
| United States | | | | | | | |
| Corn | Bushels | 75,107 | 71,841 | 147.9 | 154.7 | 11,112,072 | 11,113,766 |
| Cotton, Upland | 1 | 13,802 | 12,816 | 831 | 762 | 23,890.20 | 20,345.00 |
| Rice, All | 2 | 3,364 | 2,823 | 6,636 | 6,813 | 223,235 | 193,253 |
| Sorghum | Bushels | 5,736 | 5,317 | 68.7 | 57.3 | 393,893 | 304,635 |
| Soybeans | Bushels | 71,361 | 73,935 | 43.3 | 41.8 | 3,086,432 | 3,092,970 |

¹ Cotton yield is reported in pounds per acre and production is reported in 480 pound bales.

² Rice yield is reported in pounds per acre and production is reported in hundredweight (Cwt).